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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

ROBERT S. BEHL et al.

Application No.: 09/663,048

Filed: September 15, 2000

For: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR  
FOCUSED BIPOLAR TISSUE  
ABLATION

Examiner: KEARNEY, R.

Art Unit: 3739

**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 23, 2002, please amend the above-referenced application as follows. A complete set of pending claims is provided for your convenience in Appendix A attached hereto.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 1, 16, 20, 22, 24-26, 28, 33, and 51 as follows.

1. (Amended) A probe for deploying electrode arrays, said probe comprising:  
a shaft having a distal end and a proximal end;